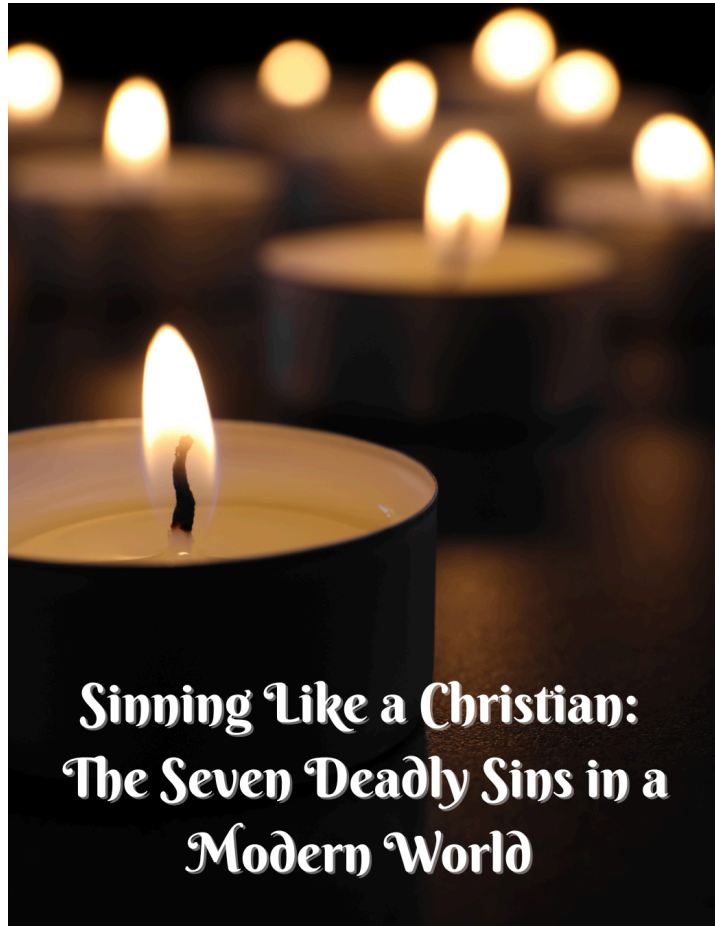


SUN  
**March 16**  
2025

**Welcome** TO WORSHIP



*Whoever and Wherever You Are,  
We Welcome You into a Life with Christ*

**Second Sunday in Lent**  
**Confirmation Sunday**



**Second**  
PRESBYTERIAN LITTLE ROCK

The Congregation will speak aloud the **bold print readings**.

✦ *Please rise in body or spirit*

## GATHERING

*Worship begins with God. God takes the initiative and calls the Church into being.  
In the name of Christ, we heed God's call and gather as the community of faith.*

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CHIMING OF THE HOUR

### PRELUDE

*Christe, du Lamm Gottes, BWV 619*

J.S.Bach

### ✦ CALL TO WORSHIP *(Responsive)*

Come! Come and worship,  
**you who woke early and you who slept late;**  
you who come often, and you who don't.  
**Whether we are first or last or somewhere in between,**  
there is room for all of us in God's kingdom,  
**and more than enough grace to go around.**  
**Let's worship God together!**

### ✦ HYMN 1

*Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!*

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### CALL TO CONFESSION

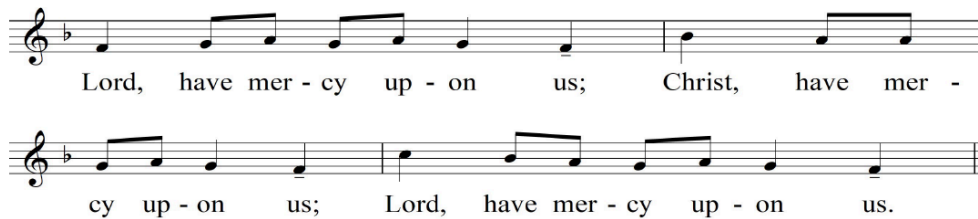
God's grace is given to each of us, for all of us, freely and unconditionally.  
Let us open our lives to this mercy as we pray.

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(Responsive)*

**It seems we cannot decide, Mighty Creator.**  
**We say we will live to serve others,**  
**but end up meeting only our needs.**  
We claim to live in a way that honors Christ,  
**but we do not take him to work, school, home.**  
We believe that the gospel can transform lives,  
**but only for those who truly need it.**  
**Forgive us, Great Shepherd.**  
Instead of being grouchy,  
**may we be ambassadors of grace.**  
Instead of continual complaining,  
**may we carry compassion to the hurting.**  
Instead of whiners,  
**may we be workers with Jesus to reach out and bring the kingdom of God**  
**to everyone we meet.**

*(Time for silent confession.)*

## CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE



Lord, have mer - cy up - on us; Christ, have mer -  
cy up - on us; Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND PASSING OF THE PEACE *(Responsive)*

This is the good news: there is no ranking in God's kingdom.  
God graces everyone with the same gifts: mercy, restoration, new life.

**God has kept the covenant.**

**We have been forgiven, we have been made new.**

**Thanks be to God.**

The peace of Christ be with you, **and also with you!**

Let us greet one another with the sign of Christ's peace.

*You are invited to stand and greet one another with a handshake,  
fist-bump, hug, or wave — all of which remind us that Christ's peace is for each of us.*

## WORD

*Gathered in God's name, we now open ourselves to God's life-giving Word.*

### TIME WITH CHILDREN

Doug Barr

### HEBREW BIBLE READING

1 Samuel 18:5-11

OT p. 262

The word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

### ANTHEM

*The Lord's Prayer*  
Alexandra Rose Vigil, soprano

A. Malotte

### EPISTLE READING

1 Timothy 6:6-10

NT p. 210

The word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

### SERMON

*What Happens When All You See is Green?*

Rev. Ben Kane

*Following the sermon, there will be a time for meditation to consider what God might  
be saying to you after hearing God's word read and proclaimed.*

### ✠ HYMN 36

*For the Fruit of All Creation*

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## EUCCHARIST

*The proclamation of God's Word invites responses of faith.*

## THE RITE OF CONFIRMATION AND SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM (11:00)

### BAPTISM OF MASON SUBLETT

## **\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## **PRESENTATION OF CONFIRMATION CLASS**

Sophia Elizabeth Anderson  
John Lewis Barham  
Henry Campbell Brown  
Benjamin Franklin Butler V  
Audrey Reese Campbell  
Lila Lynn Cross  
Julia Reese Dickinson  
Katherine Wakefield Holder  
Sadie Elizabeth Hudson

Helen Frances Humphries  
Kevin James Warren Mainard O'Connell  
Silas Preston McCormack  
Keers Kirby McMillian  
Raegan Elizabeth Mize  
Charlotte Meriwether Pate  
Mason Allen Sublett  
Lucille Lawton Wright

## **QUESTIONS OF CONFIRMANDS**

Do you turn to Jesus Christ, and accept him as your Lord and Savior, trusting in his grace and love?

**I do.**

Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying his Word and showing his love?

**I will, with God's help.**

## **CONGREGATIONAL VOWS**

Do you, the members of the church of Jesus Christ, promise to guide and nurture Mason and the confirmands by word and deed, with love and prayer?

**We do.**

Will you encourage them to know and follow Christ and be faithful members of his church.

**We will.**

## **LAYING ON OF HANDS**

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

## OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

*Our response to God's love and grace is one of gratitude for what is and hope for what will be. In this time of Offering, our gratitude is a tangible response back to God with our gifts and resources. We invite you to give generously to the Second Pres offering as it helps us do the ministries God's called us to enact.*

### OFFERTORY

*Confutatis*  
SPC Adult Choir

W.A. Mozart

### ✠ DOXOLOGY

OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Christ, all people here below;  
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;  
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**

### PRAYER OF DEDICATION

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## SENDING

*The God who calls us together in worship now sends us out in service.*

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### INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

*The Pastors and Session of Second Pres invite anyone interested in knowing more about this church, especially those interested in becoming members of Second Pres, to come forward after the Benediction to learn more about this community of faith, and, if ready, to join the church.*

### ✠ HYMN 307

*God of Grace and God of Glory*

CWM RHONDDA

### ✠ BENEDICTION

### ✠ CHORAL BENEDICTION

*Threefold Amen*

Traditional

### ✠ POSTLUDE

*Christ lag in Todesbanden, BWV 625*

J.S.Bach

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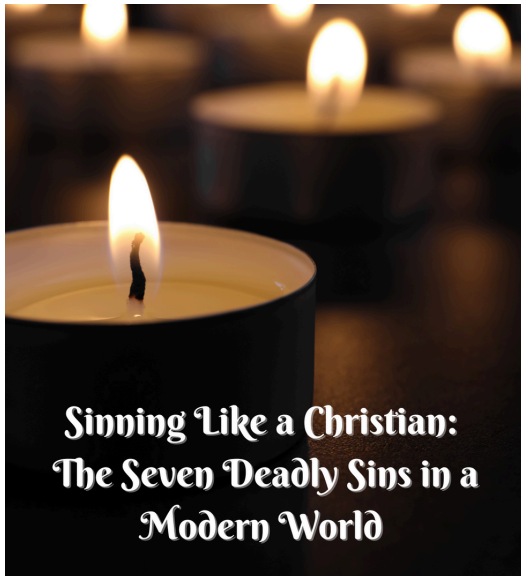
Today we will welcome sixteen new members into the congregation as we celebrate Confirmation Sunday. These students have spent time together as they learned about PCUSA history, the reformed faith, the Bible, and our sacraments. After sharing their Statements of Faith with the Session on February 23, we are so excited to see how our newest members transform the life of Second Presbyterian Church.

## Learn More About Second Pres

[www.secondpreslr.org](http://www.secondpreslr.org)

### Lenten Preaching Series March 5 -April 20

#### Sinning Like a Christian: The Seven Deadly Sins in a Modern World



What are the Seven Deadly Sins and how do they show up in our lives? What are we supposed to do about them? Where is God in helping us overcome these sins? Can we eradicate them, or do we just learn to deal with them? Have they always been the same sins since the beginning of time or do they manifest themselves differently throughout time and in different cultures? Join us in Lent at Second Pres as we'll delve into the sins of pride, sloth, envy, gluttony, anger, lust, and greed and how we faithfully respond to them in our own lives and the lives of those around us.

**March 5**, Ash Wednesday: *Pride*, Matthew 6, Doug Barr

**March 9**, 1st Sunday of Lent: *Sloth: Faith and The Second Law of Thermodynamics*, Numbers 13:25-33 & Revelation 3:14-22, Rev. Ben

**March 16**, Confirmation Sunday: *Envy*, 1 Samuel 18:5-11, 1 Timothy 6:6-10, Rev. Ben

**March 23**, 3rd Sunday of Lent: *Greed: A Virus Affecting Little Rock*, Luke 12:13-21, Malachi 3:6-12, Rev. Ben

**March 30**, 4th Sunday of Lent: *Anger*, Matthew 5:21-29 and Ephesians 4:25-32, Rev. Alisa

**April 6**, 5th Sunday of Lent: *Lust: Sex is a 12 Letter Word*, 2 Samuel 11:2-17 and Matthew 5:27-28, Rev. Ben

**April 13**, Palm Sunday: *Gluttony: Jesus and the Two Great Tragedies of Life*, Genesis 25:24-34 & Luke 19:28-40, Rev. Ben

**April 20**, Easter: *Grace: RSVP'ing to Jesus' Invitation*, Rev. Ben

#### Lenten Worship Series Wednesday Night

Have you ever wondered what our kids are doing in Children's Church each Sunday? This Wednesday, **March 19**, at 6pm in Second Hall, our Lenten worship series will be exploring *Godly Play*, a practice and experience that illuminates the Word of God through story and play. We invite everyone—children of all ages and adults—to this service of worship as we continue to grow in our faith during this season of Lent.

#### What Brings you Peace?

The Junior Artist Ministry used their handprints to create a "Shalom" canvas for their presentation in worship on March 2. The word means peace in Hebrew and is on display in the Narthex. You are invited to add a paper cutout handprint to this work as you answer the question, *What brings you peace?*



# Second Spotlight & Monthly Newsletter

Grab a copy of our monthly announcement sheet and newsletter at Second Presbyterian! These publications highlight key upcoming events and activities to keep you informed. Pick up a copy in the narthex or at the back of the sanctuary, or scan the QR code for the digital version!



## Giving to Second Pres

Your generosity is a meaningful expression of your faith in God and your commitment to Christ's work in the world. Contributions can be made to the Annual Budget, Memorial Gifts and the Birthday Fund.



### OFFERING PLATE

You may place your offering in the offering plate



### BY MAIL

Church Office, 600 Pleasant Valley Drive  
Little Rock, AR 72227



### ONLINE

Scan the QR Code or visit [secondpreslr.org/give](http://secondpreslr.org/give)

## Worship Leaders

- Rev. Elizabeth Cahoon
- Rev. Ben Kane
- Rev. Alisa Secrest
- Rev. Lindy Vogado
- Doug Barr, Director of Children and Families Ministry
- Dr. Bevan Keating, Director of Music and the Arts
- Melanie Hanna Ezell, Associate Director of Music and the Arts
- Adam Savacool, organist
- Liturgists: (8:30) Carol Young (11:00) Beth Sigler
- Elders of the Day: (8:30) Steve Dunnagan (11:00) Laura Connor

## March Usher Captains

- 3/16 (8:30) Amara Yancey (11:00) Cayce Jennings
- 3/23 (8:30) L.B. Vaught (11:00) Judy Johnson
- 3/30 (8:30) Chris McDaniel (11:00) Doug Barton

## Usher & Greeter Volunteer Sign Up

Use the QR code for the Usher and Greeter Sign Up!



## New to Second Pres?

If you are a guest, we are grateful you have joined us in worship and we hope you are well taken care of and feel at home. Feel free to stop by the Welcome Center in the narthex or say hello to a staff member or greeter. Check out the bulletin insert and *Second Spotlight* for more on Second Pres and things that may be of interest to you. We're glad you're here.

## Calendar for the Week

### SUN MARCH 16

#### Confirmation Sunday

- 8:30 and 11:00am Worship
- 9:45am Sunday School
- 12:00pm Confirmation Lunch
- 4:30pm Middle School SPY
- 6:00pm High School SPY
- 6:00pm SPY Dinner

### MON MARCH 17

- 11:30am Jubilant Ringers
- 1:30pm Pastoral Care
- 5:00pm Finance Committee
- 6:00pm Stephen Ministry Training
- 6:00pm Cub Scout Meeting
- 7:00pm Boy Scout Meeting
- 7:00pm Volleyball

### TUES MARCH 18

- 7:00am Men's Group Ministry
- 9:00am Staff Meeting
- 12:00pm Faith & Grief

### WED MARCH 19

- 5:30pm MS Girls Bible Study
- 6:00pm Lenten Worship
- 6:45pm Adult Choir

### SUN MARCH 23

- 8:30 and 11:00am Worship
- 9:45am Sunday School

## Statement of Welcome & Inclusiveness

As one part of the church of Jesus Christ, we are inspired and guided by Christ's vision of God's realm—one that includes all who seek to love God and neighbor. Second Presbyterian Church welcomes all people.

As a congregation of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), we invite those who respond in trust and obedience to God's grace in Jesus Christ to become part of the membership and ministry of the church. We would be pleased to have you join us in our journey of faith, regardless of age, race, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, economic or family status, ethnic background, mental or physical abilities.



## **EASTER LILY ORDER FORM**

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Easter is a time to remember the special people in our lives—those who have gone from us, and those who are still enriching our lives! Place an Easter lily in the sanctuary in their memory or in their honor. A list of those being honored and remembered and their donors will be printed as a special insert in the Easter bulletin. The cost per plant is \$15. Checks may be made out to the church and marked “Lily Fund.” Fill out the form below and return it to the church, order online at [secondpreslr.org](http://secondpreslr.org) or use the QR code. (A 3% processing fee applies to online orders.) The deadline for ordering lilies is Sunday, April 13.

**I/We would like to purchase \_\_\_\_\_ lily/lilies.  
Enclosed is a check for \$\_\_\_\_\_.**



**PLEASE PRINT**

**In memory of**

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**Name(s) of donor(s)**

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